

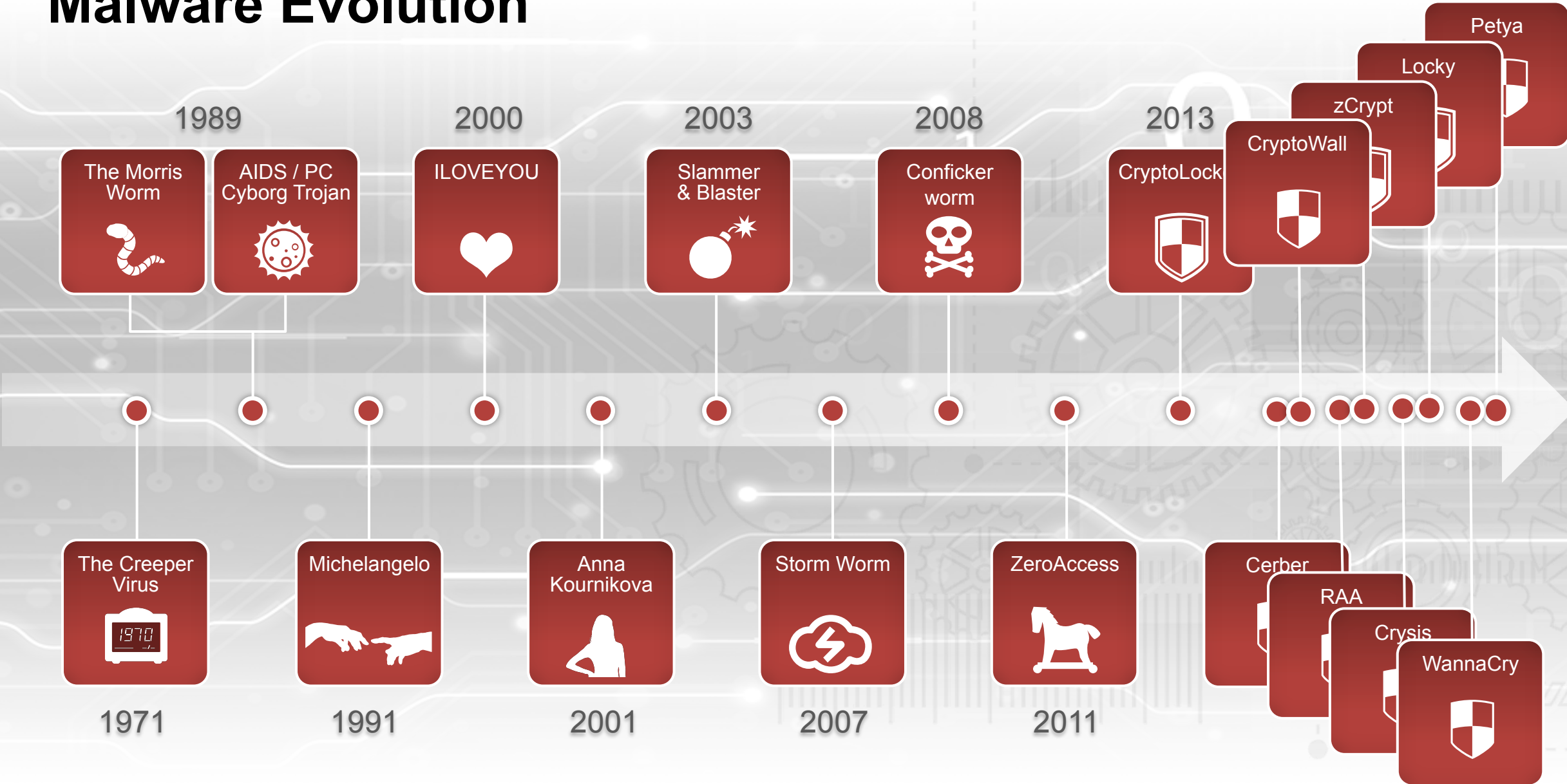
# Fighting Cybercrime with Artificial Intelligence

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Dis is one half.  
Press any key to continue...

# Malware Evolution



# Ransomware as a service





# What We're Up Against - RaaS in an Hour

10.00pm

10.30pm

10.45pm

11.00pm

10.05-10.44pm

Locate and setup a VPN service to hide your IP address

10.44-10.58pm

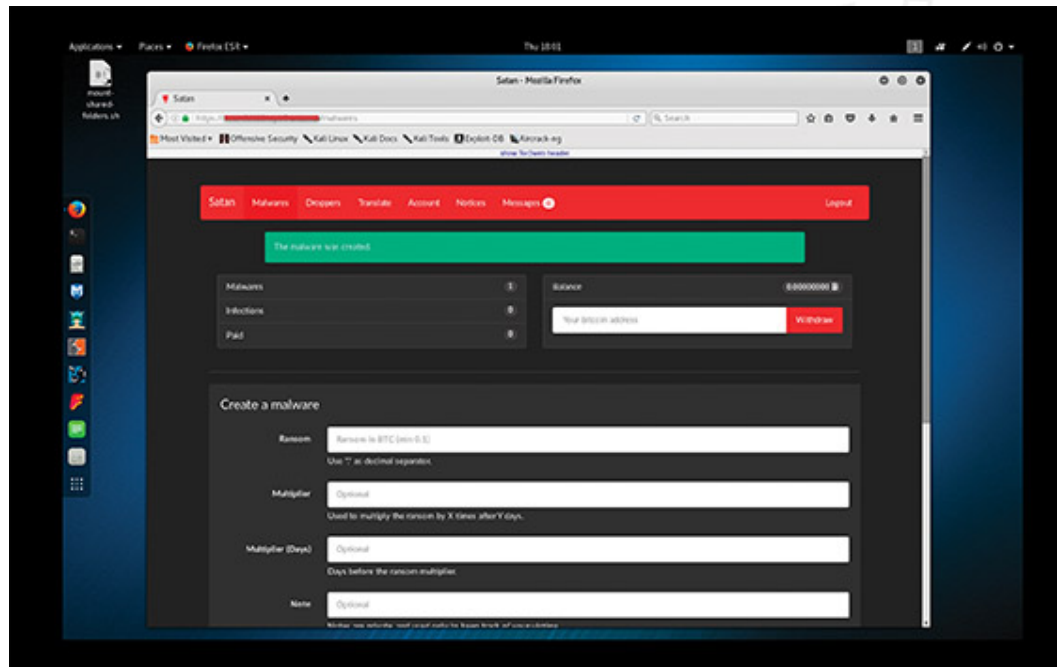
Connect to the Satan website on the Dark Web

11.01pm

Ransomware created using a simple dashboard  
Commission based fee structure – commission charged reduces depending on the number of infections and payments

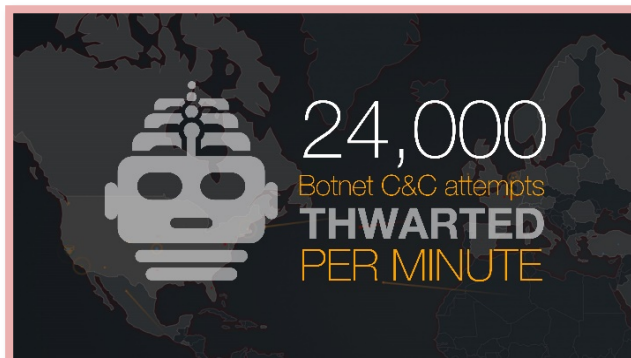
11.04pm

Ransomware downloaded as an executable, ready to be distributed  
Checked against VirusTotal – no match



“I signed up on the website and didn't even need an email address. The company takes a 30 per cent cut and I get 70 per cent. I don't think that's too bad, and if I didn't like it I'd just charge more for my ransomware!”

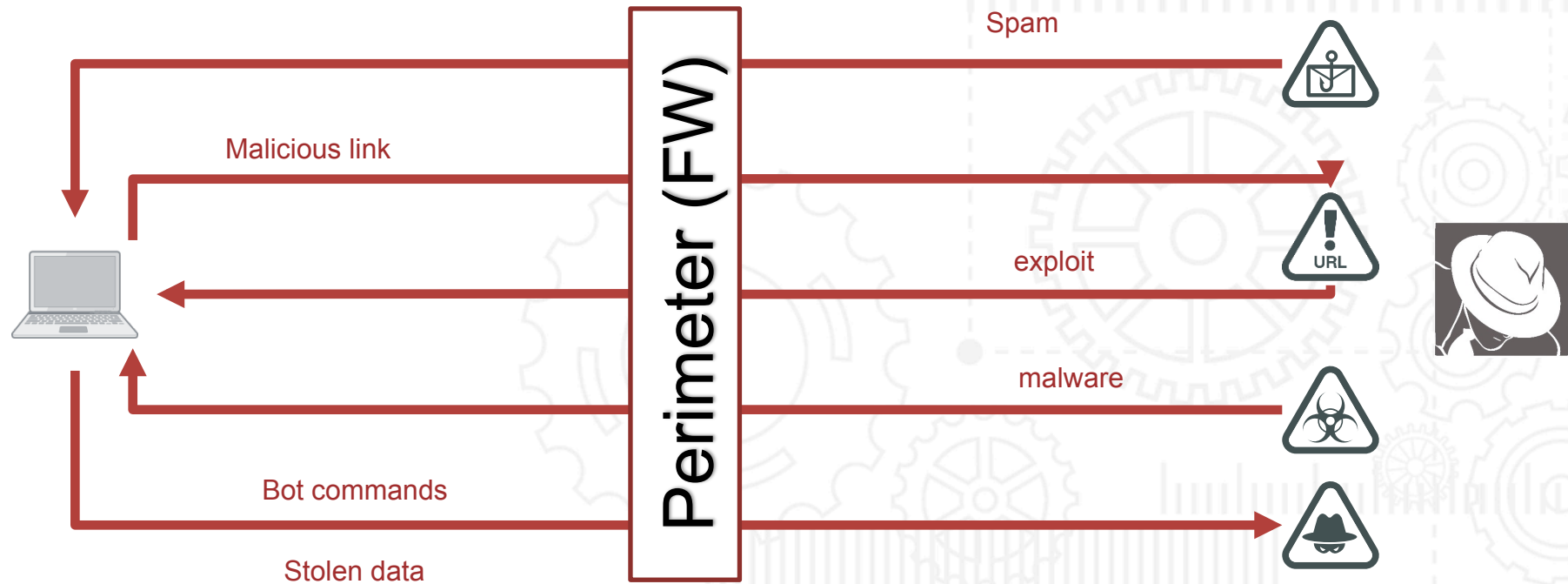
# Our threatresearch by the numbers



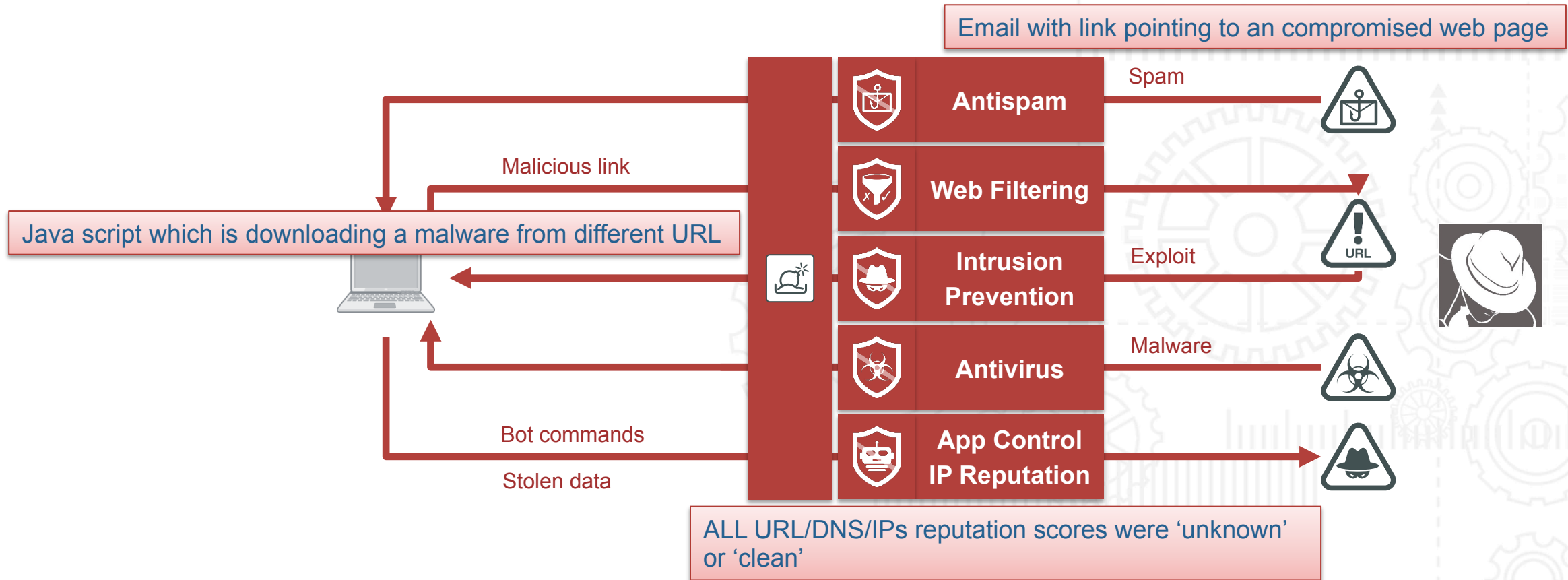
# 50,000,000,000 +

Events Ingested Daily

# Typical attack used today



# Typical attack used today





# Antivirus Evolution

## LEVEL I

- » Simple MD5 / SHA 56 computations
- » Resulted in large DBs for file comparisons
- » One signature – one piece of malware
- » Reactive and non-responsive to mutations

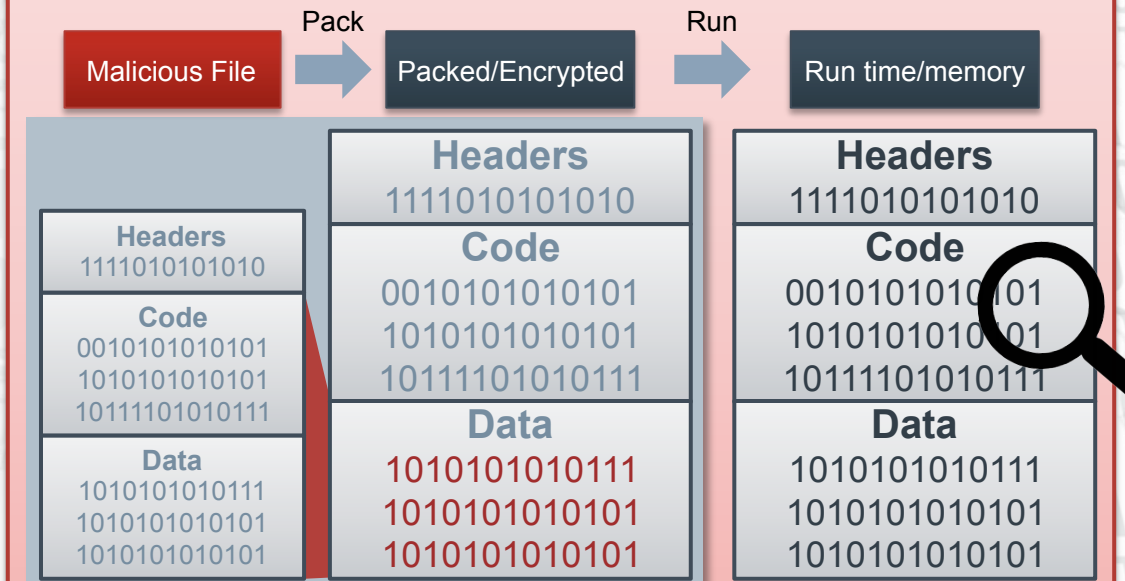
C:\Md5sum malware.exe

5e3830ee3282a53920e00784fec44cfd (malware.exe)



## LEVEL II

- » Content Pattern Recognition Language
- » Looks at wrappers and payload for repeats
- » Handles large volumes of permutations
- » Proactive in nature



# Early AI Defined

Alan Turing called an infant's mind an 'unorganized machine' in 1930s

Created early definitions of machine learning

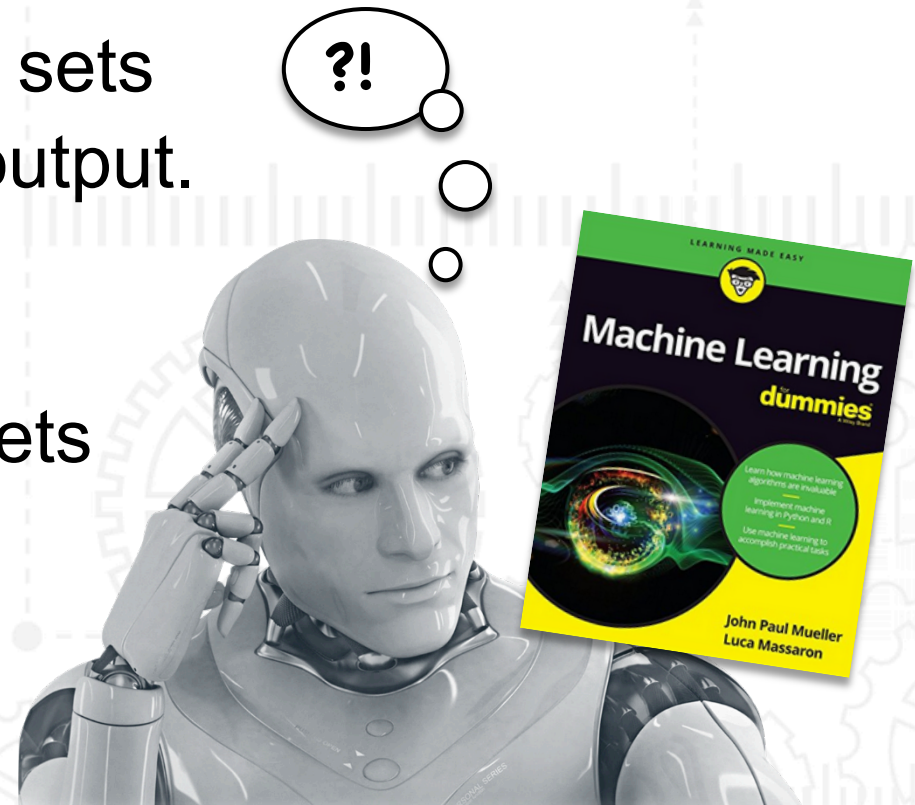
- » First type (A) consists of simple NAND (negative – AND gates
- » Second type (B) is combination of A types with modifiers added – results in weighted input/variable output method
- » Saw the need for:
  - Seeded solution set of accurate or known potential output
  - Population of variably weighted pieces or functions
  - A method for removing the worst solutions while retaining the best



**Major inhibitor of his research – was far ahead of available capabilities in terms of computing power.**

# Types of Problem Solving

- **Supervised Learning** – Using known solution sets to embed proper functions and create proper output.
  - » **Reinforcement** – action on an environment triggers an observation resulting in a defined state.
- **Unsupervised Learning** – unknown solution sets
  - » **Clustering** – group according to similarities.
  - » **Dimensionality Reduction** – deductive reasoning.
  - » **Structured Prediction** – random fields are analyzed to predict according to defined output probabilities.
  - » **Anomaly Detection** – input does not match expectations.



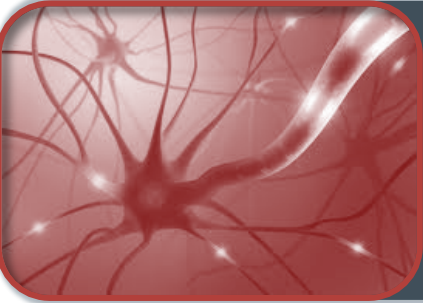
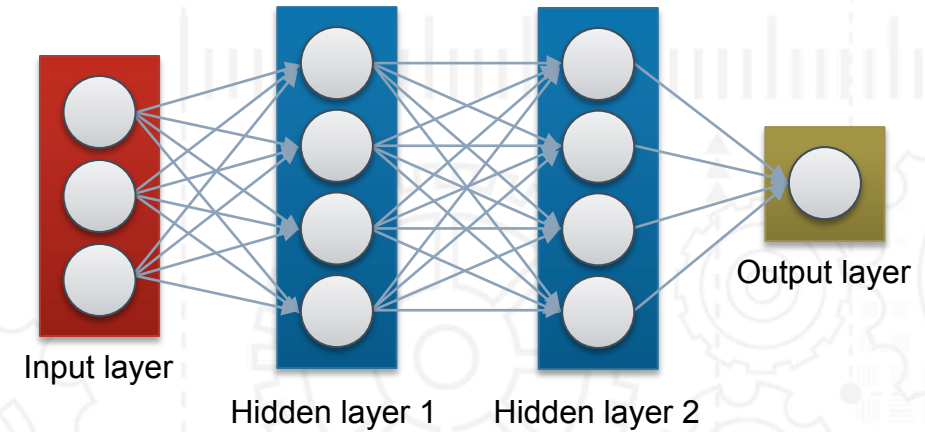
## Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs)

Large collections of simple interconnected nodes (neurons), each with a weighted input and output value.

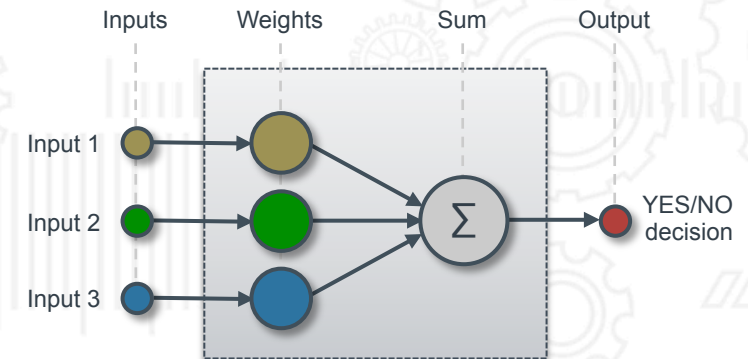
# Type of AI – Artificial Neural Network (Multilayer Perceptron)

- Consists of three or more layers
  - » Input layer
  - » One or more hidden layers
  - » Output layer
- Layers are made of up nodes
  - » Connected to every node in the previous and subsequent layer
  - » Provide discrete processing of input information (files and features)
  - » Produces an output value based on inputs, function, and weighted valuation

The Multilayer Perceptron approach provides deep machine learning capabilities.



**MP behavior is similar to human neurons - if input is strong enough, signal is passed according to weighted value**





# Features

- Point observable characteristics
- 1 : 1 relationship with nodes
- Features are maintained in a knowledgebase repository
- Quality is critical
  - » Provides more accurate determination of file status
  - » Fortinet AI leverages internal legacy samples (~.5PB) to create features from samples
- Each feature is weighted to assist in decisions
- Feature weighting can change over time
- Weighted features are processed within nodes
  - » Output is weighted, based on presence of features
  - » Weighted output passed to next layer for continued processing

**Feature/Node Algorithm**

f - feature

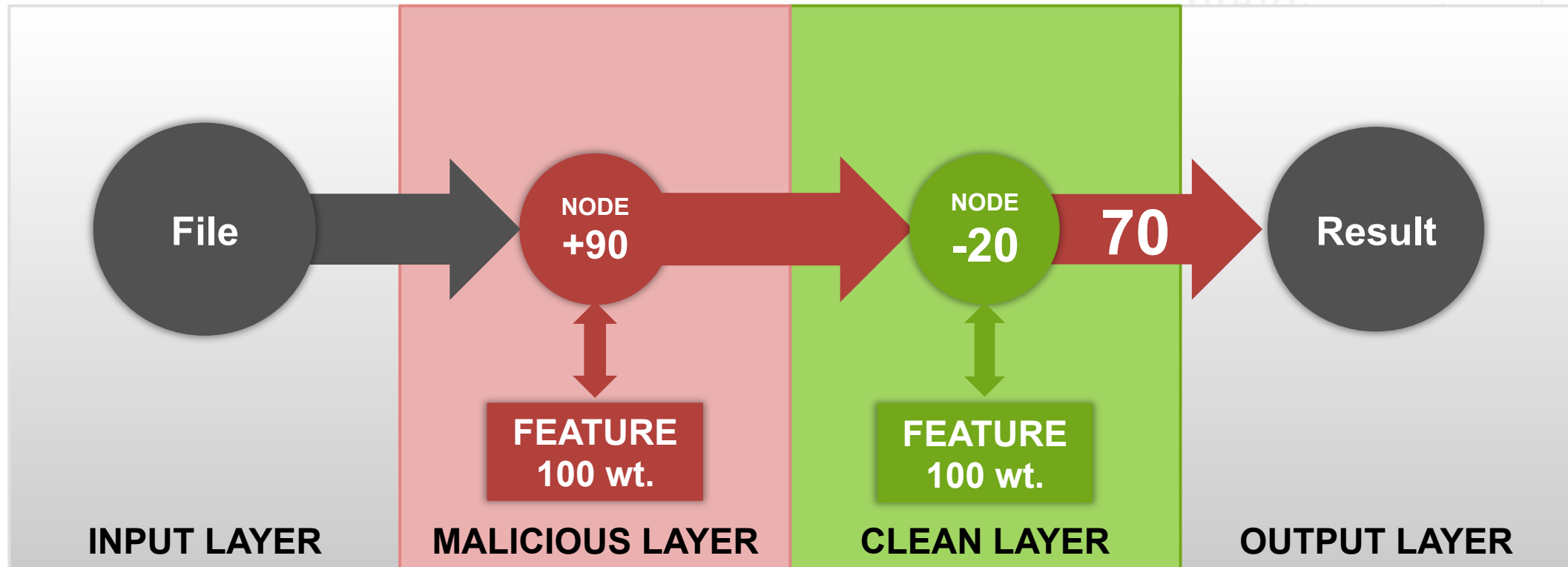
w - weight

$\text{Func}(f1*w1+f2*w2+...+fn*wn) \rightarrow \{0,1\}$

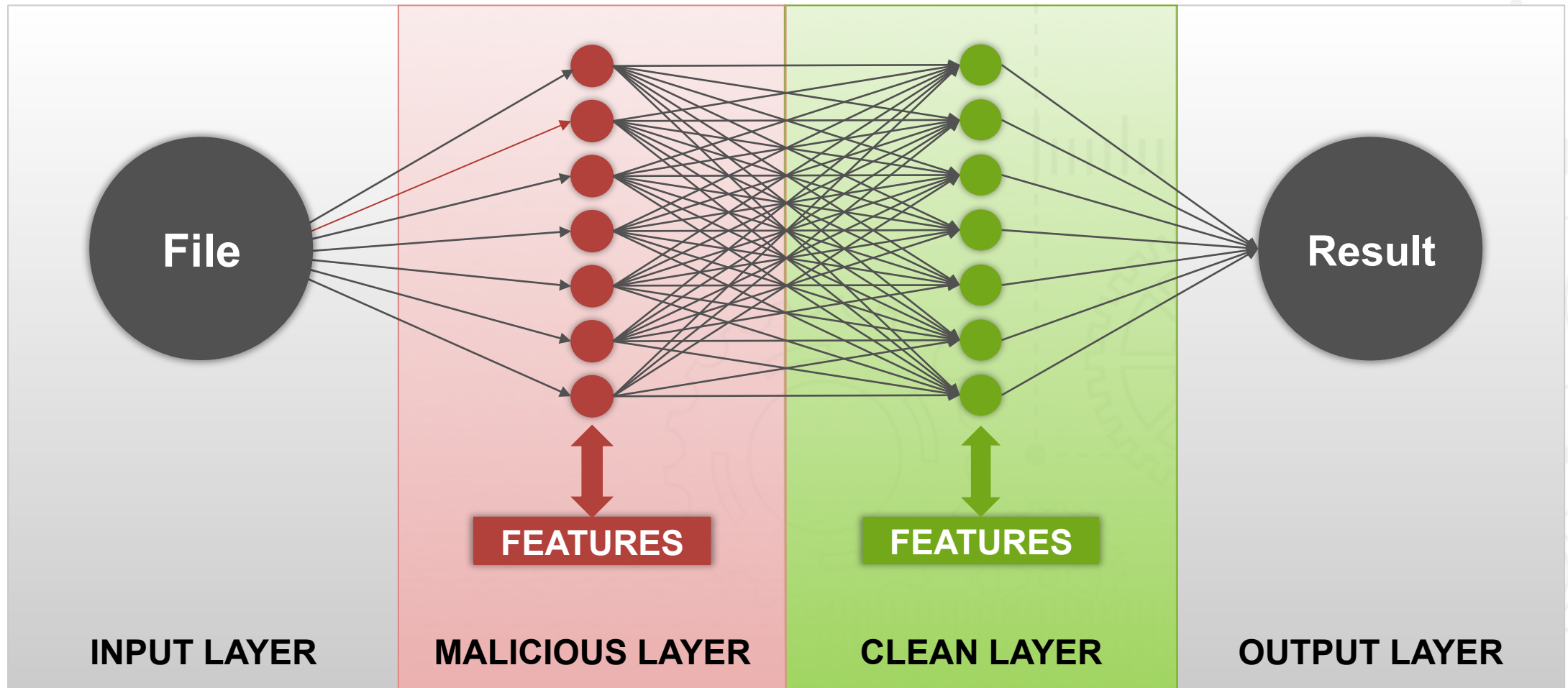


# Features, Nodes & Weights – Single Instance

1. We start with an input file – malicious or clean
2. Feature presence is calculated, re-weighted and passed forward to the next node
3. The analysis is repeated using the next layer feature, then passed to the next node
4. Result – the overall probability based on a score of feature presence

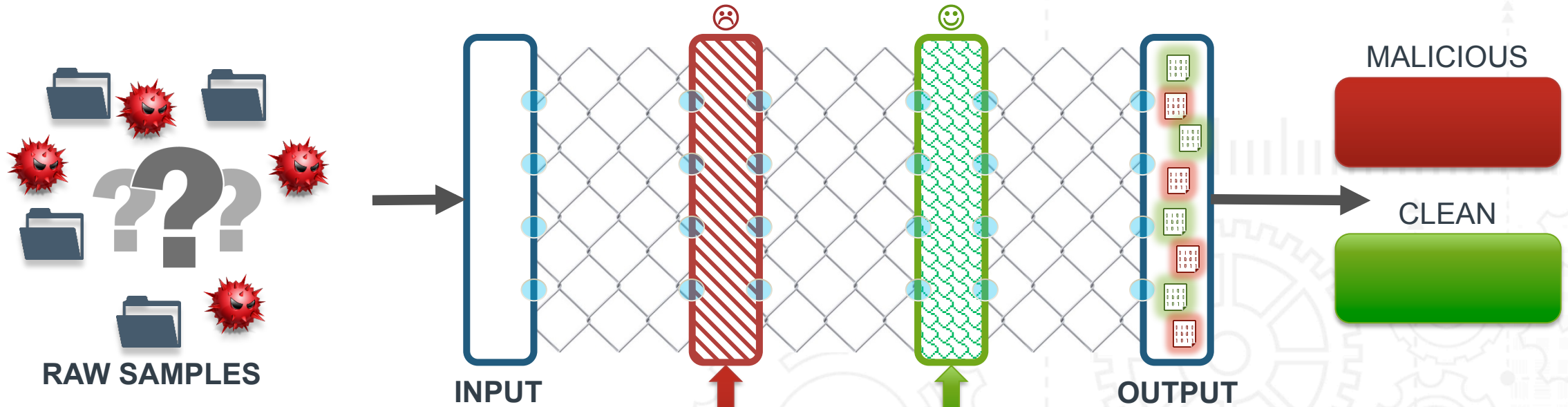


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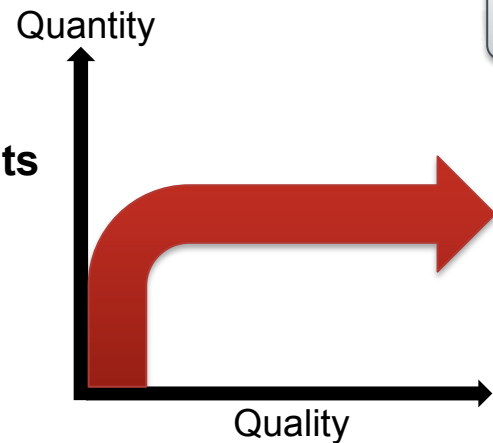
Output is a result of 2.3B x 3.3B individual node computations.

# FortiGuard AI in Operation

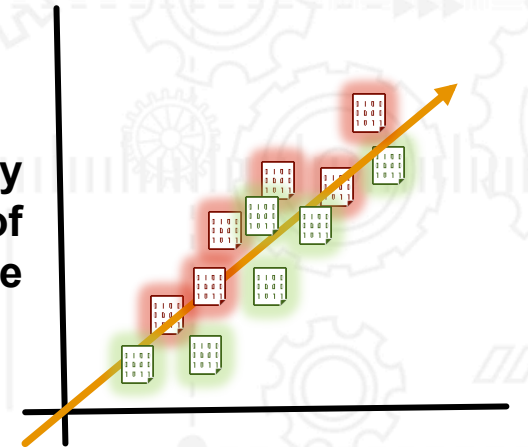


## Feature Set Improvements

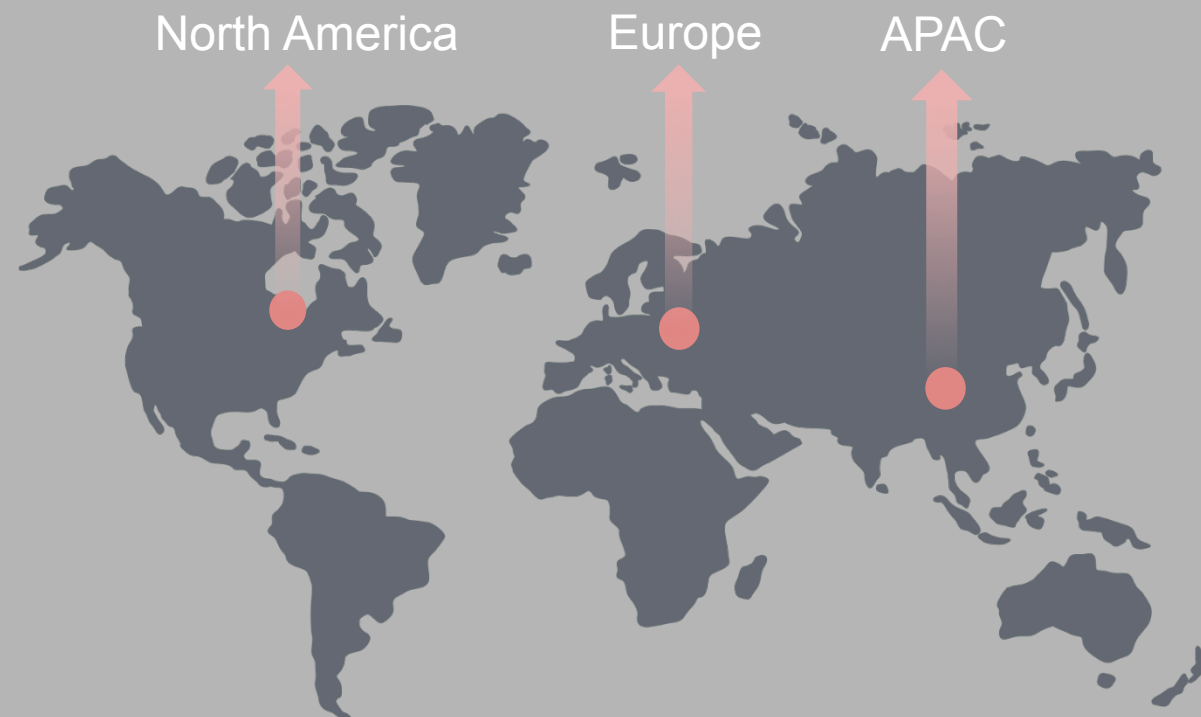
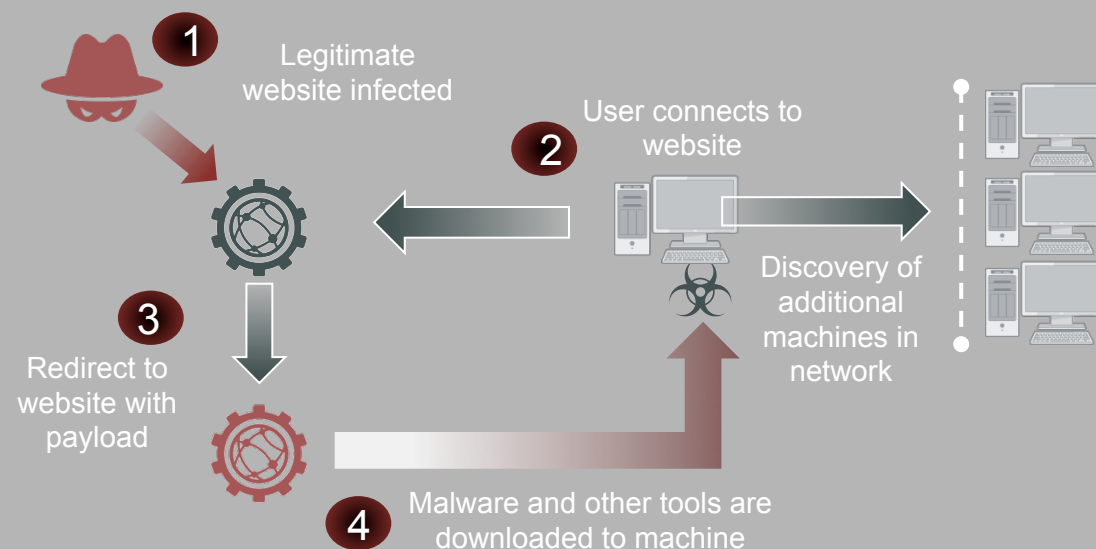
- Quality
- Stabilized Number
- Weighting Confidence



**Continued Accuracy  
to a High Degree of  
Confidence**



# RATANKBA Malware – Global Attack Campaign



Fortinet's Machine-Learning methods analyze millions of files thru a sophisticated neural-network discovering new zero-days and malware variants.

Fortinet's machine-to-machine defensive system releases dynamic algorithm (W32/Generic.AC.39AB6D!tr)

Trend Micro discloses RATANKBA malware. Fortinet customers are proactively protected based on Oct 2016 algorithm.

Symantec releases additional hash information on RATANKBA which Fortinet is already blocking based on Oct 2016 algorithm.

Fortinet discovers several malicious domains. Customers are protected through web filtering and DNS engines.

Several additional domains are published and determined to be part of RATANKBA malware which Fortinet had protection 4 days prior..



Prior Dates



Oct 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016



Feb 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017



Feb 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017



Feb 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017



Feb 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017

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